

City of
Bellevue



MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 28, 2014
TO: Mayor Balducci and Councilmembers
FROM: Joyce Nichols, Director of Intergovernmental Relations
RE: Regional Issues Committee Items April 28

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

Briefing on 2015-2016 King County Wastewater Rate Proposal: The King County Executive is transmitting his proposed wastewater rate to the County Council. King County Wastewater Treatment Division Director Pam Elardo will provide an overview of the rate proposal and rate drivers. Council will have an opportunity to ask questions and provide direction to staff if appropriate.

Discussion/Action to Direct the City Manager to Sign the Growing Transit Communities Compact: Staff is seeking Council action to sign the Puget Sound Regional Council's Growing Transit Communities Compact. This agreement has been discussed with Council, most recently in November of last year. This agreement is intended to provide cities with a framework for collaborating regionally to implement transit oriented development (TOD) and establishes the Regional TOD Advisory Committee. Signing the Compact is necessary to have a seat at the table, supports future grant request and allows the City to effectively engage in and influence regional issues.

Update on Councilmember Lee's Advocacy Activities in Washington, D.C. on Behalf of the City's Federal Priorities: This briefing provides information on Councilmember Lee's meetings with members of Washington State's Congressional Delegation and staff while attending the National League of Cities (NLC) Conference in Washington, D.C. in March. Council may wish to provide further direction to staff regarding follow-up activities to accomplish the City's federal priorities.

LEGISLATIVE STATUS REPORTS

State Legislative Session Update: Staff is providing a written summary of activities in Olympia following the end of the 2014 legislative session including legislation that was vetoed by the Governor.

Federal Legislative Update: Staff is providing a written summary of recent Congressional activities.

STAFF REPORTS / INFORMATION ITEMS

Monthly Council Summary Background Briefings: Included are updated Council summary background briefings on the King County Regional Committees (RPC, RTC, and RWQC), and the Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC).